

Chapter 12.32 TREES AND SHRUBS

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12.32.010 Planting — Permit required — Placement. It is unlawful to plant any tree or shrub in any public street or parkway or other public place without first having secured a permit therefor. Applications for such permits shall be made to the city clerk and shall be referred by him to the mayor and city council of the city. All trees and shrubs so planted shall be placed subject to the directions of the street and alley commissioner. (Prior code § 18.501).

12.32.020 Removal — Permit required. It is unlawful to remove or cut down any tree or shrub in any street, parkway or other public place without having first secured a permit therefor. Applications for such permits shall be made to the city clerk and shall be referred by him to the mayor and city council for approval before permission shall be granted. (Prior code § 18.502).

12.32.030 Correction of overhanging or dangerous trees or shrubs. Any tree or shrub which overhangs any sidewalk, street or other public place in the city in such a way as to impede or interfere with traffic or travel on such public place shall be trimmed by the owner of the abutting premises on which such tree or shrub grows so that the obstruction shall cease.

Any limb of a tree which has become likely to fall on or across any public way or place shall be removed by the owner of the premises on which such tree or shrub grows or stands. (Prior code § 18.505).

12.32.040 Injuring trees or shrubs prohibited. It is unlawful to injure any tree or shrub planted in any such public place. (Prior code § 18.503).

12.32.050 Attaching advertisements and notices prohibited. It is unlawful to attach any sign, advertisement or notice to any tree or shrub in any street, parkway or other public place. (Prior code § 18.504).

12.32.060 Wires, poles and ropes. It is unlawful to attach any wire or other rope to any tree without permission of the mayor and city council.

Any person, or company given the right to maintain poles and wires in the streets, alleys or other public ways in the city shall, in the absence of provision in the franchise concerning the subject, keep such wires and poles free from and away from any trees or shrubs in such place so far as may be possible and shall keep all such trees and shrubs properly trimmed and subject to the supervision of the street and alley commissioner, so that no injury shall be done to the poles or wires or shrubs and trees by contact. (Prior code § 18.506).

12.32.070 Gas pipe maintenance. Any person, firm or corporation maintaining any gas pipe in the city shall, in the absence of a provision in the franchise concerning the subject, keep such pipes free from leaks. (Prior code § 18.507).

12.32.080 Excavations near trees. In making excavations in streets or other public places proper care shall be taken to avoid injury to the roots of any trees or shrub wherever possible. (Prior code § 18.508).

12.32.090 Penalty for violation. Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this chapter shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than five hundred dollars for each offense; and a separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues. (Prior code § 18.509).